



Missouri Chapter News

Walnut Council

Growing Walnut and Other Fine Hardwoods

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Missouri Chapter, Walnut Council

Fall, 2017 Meeting & Field Days

Sept 29-30, 2017

Licking, Salem & Shannondale, MO

The Missouri Chapter of Walnut Council announces our fall business meeting and field days Friday and Saturday, September 29 and 30 in the Licking and Salem, Missouri area. This is an opportunity to learn and discuss the management of black walnut and other fine hardwood trees with landowners, foresters and industry representatives. This event includes informative trips to the George O. White State Forest Nursery and two privately managed tree farms.

Cost:

The registration fee for Walnut Council members is \$10 per person. The non-member fee is \$15. *Join Walnut Council that day and save \$5.00!* The registration fee includes soft drinks and water both days, doughnuts and lunch prepared on-site Saturday. **Note:** Friday evening appetizers and dinner are compliments of the Seagren family served at their farm!

Please **RSVP by Monday, September 25th**! Either **e-mail or call Aaron Twombly**, Secretary, (mowalnutcouncil@gmail.com or [913-704-5210](tel:913-704-5210)) **if you plan to attend**. Your registration can be paid by personal check payable to "Walnut Council" or by cash beginning at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, September 29th at the state nursery near Licking. Receipts will be provided. **Note:** Walnut Council is a 501 C (3) nonprofit organization.

Lodging: (40-minute drive east from Seagren farm)

Crossroads Inn & Suites

1200 S. Main, Salem, MO 65560

Ph. 573-729-4700 (local);

<http://www.crossroadsinnsalem.com>

- Inn Policy: Rooms can be guaranteed with a credit card for late arrival. Reservations must be cancelled 24-hours before the night of arrival. They offer special rates for seniors or members of AARP and AAA.

AGENDA

Friday, September 29

12:30 to 3:00 - George O. White Nursery, 14027 Shafer Rd., Licking, MO 65542

The nursery has been providing Missouri residents with native Missouri tree seedlings since 1947. Operated by the Missouri Department of Conservation, it covers 754 acres with 50 acres of seedbeds and makes more than seventy species of trees and shrubs available to Missouri residents. They ship roughly four million seedlings per year. A nursery representative will give a tour of their operations and discuss their seed acquisition and tree improvement programs.

Note: Lunch will *NOT* be provided Friday, but water and soft drinks will be available in the afternoon. Make plans for lunch on your own prior to arriving! Restrooms are available.

3:15 - Travel to nearby [Boone Creek Farm® - Black Walnut Plantation](#)

3:30 to 6:00 - [Boone Creek Farm®](#)

- Introductions & Welcome by Hank Stelzer, Extension Forester, University of Missouri
- Overview of plantation history
- View drip irrigated walnut trees
- View uneven-aged mixed hardwoods
- Discussion of suggested woodland management
- Appetizers & Dinner

6:00 to 6:45 - **Ozark Chinquepin Foundation**, Steve Bost; (<http://www.ozarkchinquapin.com/>)

Our evening presentation follows dinner at Boone Creek Farm. Actual times that afternoon and evening may be adjusted on-site with a target of leaving the farm by 7:00 p.m. for lodging in Salem. Mr. Bost will discuss the work the foundation is doing to bring back the Ozark Chinquepin species. These close relatives to the chestnut trees are a source of delicious nuts and durable lumber, but they have become scarce due to the chestnut blight.

Saturday, September 30

Breakfast: on your own (the Inn offers a complimentary breakfast bar)

8:15 - Chapter Business Meeting (hotel meeting room)

9:30 - Depart for Bucher Memorial Tree Farm, Shannondale, MO (30-minute drive)

The Bucher Memorial Tree Farm is comprised of uneven-aged mixed hardwoods. Following an overview of their operations, we may be able to visit an area where a timber harvest is ongoing. We will learn how they utilize carbon credits as a significant part of their operating plan.

12:30 – LUNCH Create your own favorite sandwich from Fred’s local grocery shopping spree!

1:15 - Our fall event concludes following lunch. Enjoy the Ozarks and drive safely!

Note: Echo Bluff State Park and lodge is nearby just north of Eminence.

Directions to the George O. White Nursery: From Licking, take Highway 63 north 0.50 mile, then Shafer Road west 4 miles to the nursery. The address is: 14027 Shafer Rd., Licking, MO 65542,

Directions to Boon Creek Farm: We will provide directions at the nursery for the estimated 10-minute drive; plus, watch for our red and white Walnut Council signs along the route.

Directions to Crossroads Inn & Suites – Follow State Route 32 to S. Main Street in Salem.

Directions to the Bucher Memorial Tree Farm: Take State Highway 19 south from Salem for 24 miles to the Shannondale Community Center. Watch for our red and white Walnut Council signs. We will have a short drive to the tree farm from the community center.

Herbicide Order

You can purchase herbicides for timber stand improvement at our actual cost by contacting Scott Brundage, Consulting Forester, (brundage@socket.net) by Monday morning, September 25th. The following products reflect actual prices from Van Diest Chemical; tax is included:

- **Pathway** is \$96.30 per 2.5-gallon container
 - A case is 2 – 2.5 gal. containers for \$192.60
- **Generic Roundup** (Glyphosate Pro 4 - 41% glyphosate) is \$40.35 per 2.5-gallon container
 - A case is 2 – 2.5 gal. containers for \$80.70
- **Remedy Ultra** is \$73.17/gal.
 - A case is 4 – 1 gal. containers for \$292.68

Please invite your local timber industry representative, woodland landowners and students and teaching faculty interested in managing our woodland resources to this event. We welcome guests! You need not be a member of Walnut Council to attend! Membership forms will be available both days for those wanting to become a member.

I look forward to seeing you Friday, September 29th starting at the state nursery. A brief notice about this event is posted at our chapter website. See the link below.

Sincerely,

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